Probate Notes for June 15, 2009

Probate notes are a recommendation as to the outcome of the petition. Unlike tentative rulings, they do not automatically become adopted as the order of the court. If you wish to continue a matter, please contact the civil division at (530) 406-6704. If you have questions, you may contact the probate examiner at (530) 406-6802 between the hours of 2 and 4 p.m.

CASE: LPS Conservatorship of Brian Neft Case No. CV PB 06-142

It is recommended to approve the verified third account and report of conservator and to grant the petition for reappointment of conservator of the person and the estate.

CASE: LPS Conservatorship of Robert W. Jones Case No. CV PB 04-162

It is recommended to deny the petitioner's request for a reserve of \$20,000 to pay future fees for the conservator, his attorney, and a possible criminal defense attorney. The amount of fees, if any, is speculative and/or uncertain at this time.

The information concerning the period when the conservatee was confined at Napa State Hospital and the current amount owed is conflicting. It is recommended that James A. Moore and a representative from the Department of Developmental Services ("DDS") appear at the hearing so that the Court may determine the amount owed to DDS.

It is recommended that parties work out a payment plan so that the estate is not depleted.

CASE: Probate Conservatorship of Harriett Jones Case No. CV PC 09-68

Counsel are directed to appear.

CASE: Estate of Stephen Clyde Haskell Case No. CV PB 08-69

If the waivers of the accounting are filed, it is recommended to approve the report on waiver of account and grant the petition for final distribution and for allowance of compensation to the administrator and her attorney for ordinary services, for reimbursement of costs advanced by administrator and for authorization to withhold a reserve fund.

It is recommended to grant the petition by representative to determine ownership of the estate property and for order authorizing and directing transfer of the estate property. (Prob. Code, §§ 850 *et seq.*)

CASE: Estate of Ann Jacobson Case No. CV PB 09-89

It is recommended to grant the petition for letters of administration and for authorization to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act.

CASE: Estate of William Alois Johnston Case No. CV PB 08-166

It is recommended to approve the report on waiver of account and grant the petition for final distribution, and for allowance of compensation to attorneys for ordinary services.